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Subject: Specimen kit labeling

A reminder.

- 1. The SLI/Lab Bureau Kit room prepares specimen mailing outfits. We do not label the outer mailing cylinders with "biohazard" labels. This is in compliance with USPS and IATA regs for shipping/mailing diagnostic specimens which prohibits "biohazard" labeling on a diagnostic specimen container. We have endeavored to remove such labeling from all previous inventory we may still have on our Kit room shelves. We also ask that the CD Bureau discontinue the biohazard label on specimen kits they may prepare. When our customers attempt to send us diagnostic specimens, USPS and couriers can reject the package with a biohazard label.
- 2. For the Lab Bureau QA Department, we request that the Specimen Outfit Audit forms for each specimen kit be updated to delete the "biohazard label" item as part of the audit.

thanks.....kathy

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